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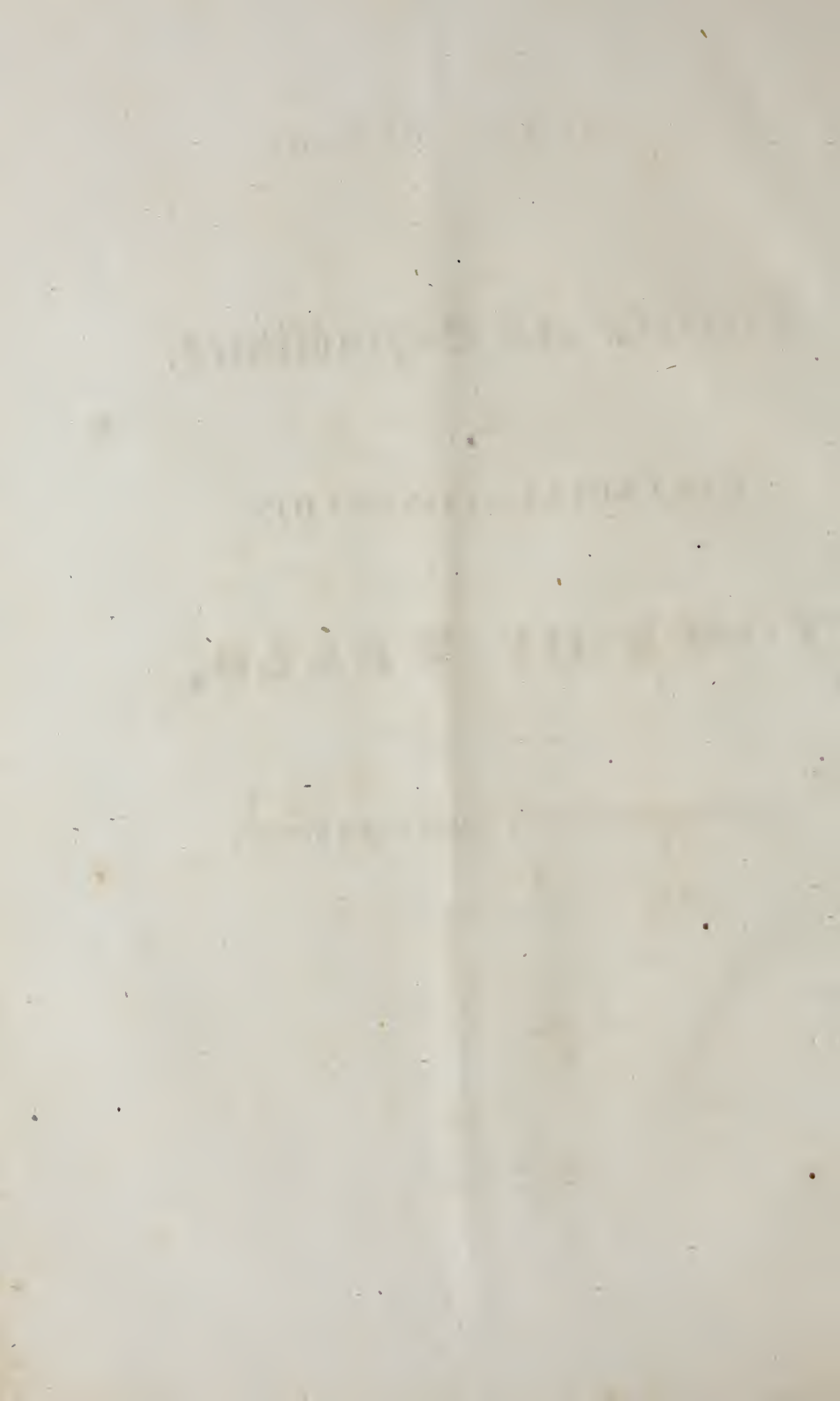
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# REPORT.

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YOUR AUDITOR, having examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, and Treasurer, and having found them properly vouched and correct, submits the following statement of the financial condition of the town:

## Orders on the Treasury.

The Selectmen have drawn 145 Orders on the Town Treasurer, amounting to \$10,228 50  
 Of which the Treasurer has redeemed 136, amounting to 10,123 68  
 Leaving now outstanding 9, amounting to 104 82  
 The above Orders were drawn for the following purposes to wit:

## FOR SCHOOLS.

### SUMMER TERM.

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| ORDER No. 36, District No. 1, | \$47 00 |
| " No. 37, District No. 2,     | 99 80   |
| " No. 38, District No. 3,     | 66 20   |
| " No. 39, District No. 4,     | 47 00   |
| " No. 40, District No. 5,     | 73 40   |
| " No. 41, District No. 6,     | 55 80   |
| " No. 42, District No. 7,     | 64 60   |
| " No. 43, District No. 8,     | 43 80   |
| " No. 44, District No. 9,     | 47 80   |
| " No. 45, District No. 10,    | 64 60   |
| " No. 46, District No. 11,    | 23 80   |
| " No. 47, District No. 12,    | 53 40   |
| " No. 48, District No. 13,    | 67 00   |
| " No. 49, District No. 14,    | 85 40   |
| " No. 50, District No. 15,    | 61 40   |
| " No. 51, District No. 16,    | 68 60   |
| " No. 52, District No. 17,    | 19 00   |

\$988 60

### WINTER TERM.

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| ORDER No. 85, District No. 1, | \$94 00 |
| " No. 86, District No. 2,     | 199 60  |
| " No. 87, District No. 3,     | 132 40  |
| " No. 88, District No. 4,     | 94 00   |
| " No. 89, District No. 5,     | 146 80  |
| " No. 90, District No. 6,     | 111 60  |
| " No. 91, District No. 7,     | 129 20  |
| " No. 92, District No. 8,     | 87 60   |
| " No. 93, District No. 9,     | 95 60   |
| " No. 94, District No. 10,    | 129 20  |
| " No. 95, District No. 11,    | 47 60   |
| " No. 96, District No. 12,    | 106 80  |
| " No. 97, District No. 13,    | 134 00  |
| " No. 98, District No. 14,    | 170 80  |
| " No. 99, District No. 15,    | 122 80  |
| " No. 100, District No. 16,   | 137 20  |
| " No. 101, District No. 17,   | 38 00   |

\$1877 20

988 60

\$2965 80

## SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

## ORDER NO.

|      |  |                |
|------|--|----------------|
| 17.  | Alvan Libby, for services rendered for the year 1870 and 1871, to March 6th,           | \$45 75        |
| 136. | A. F. Littlefield, for services rendered for the year 1871 and 1872, to Feb. 17, 1872, | 39 00          |
| 137. | Jos. H. Mildram, for services rendered for the year 1871 and 1872, to Feb. 21, 1872.   | 38 50          |
|      |  | <hr/> \$123 25 |

## SERVICES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

## ORDER NO.

|      |  |                |
|------|--|----------------|
| 16.  | Edwin Clark, for services as Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of Poor, attendance with Auditor &c., from Feb. 11, to March 4th, 1871,               | \$16 00        |
| 19.  | Joshua C. Hatch, for services rendered as Auditor for the year 1871,   | 26 76          |
| 20.  | Samuel M. Clark, for services as Treasurer from Feb. 13, to March 3, 1871,   | 37 75          |
| 21.  | Jedediah Perkins, for services rendered as Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of Poor, attendance with Auditor &c., from Feb. 13th, to March 3, 1871, | 16 00          |
| 24.  | Charles F. Clark, for services rendered as Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of Poor, attendance with Auditor &c., from Feb. 11, to March 4th, 1871, | 13 00          |
| 126. | Edwin Clark, for services as Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of Poor, from March 4th, 1871, to Feb. 11th, 1872, as per bill,                       | 55 50          |
| 127. | Jedediah Perkins, for services as Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of Poor, from March 3d, 1871, to Feb. 11th, 1872, as per bill,                   | 53 00          |
| 133. | Charles F. Clark, for services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of Poor, from March 4th, 1871, to Feb. 11th, 1872, in full as per bill,      | 44 00          |
| 142. | Samuel M. Clark, Treasurer, for services as such, from March 8th, 1871, to Feb. 15th, 1872, in full, as per bill,                                | 151 67         |
|      |  | <hr/> \$413 68 |

## SUPPORT OF POOR AND OTHER EXPENSES ON TOWN FARM.

## ORDER NO.

|      |  |                 |
|------|--|-----------------|
| 27.  | Littlefield & Hatch, for goods for Town Farm, from Feb. 13th, to April 26th, 1871,   | \$47 85         |
| 30.  | Jonathan Kimball, for salary on Town Farm, from Jan. 24th, to April 24, 1871,  | 62 50           |
| 31.  | Jonathan Kimball, for cash paid on exchange of cows, and for pigs and goods furnished Town Farm, from Oct. 8th, 1870, to May 16th, 1871, | 41 26           |
| 63.  | Richardson, Harris & Co., Portland, for goods furnished Town Farm as per bill,   | 64 68           |
| 64.  | Wells Depot Union Store Co., for goods furnished Town Farm, from March 11th, to June 6th, 1871.  | 36 55           |
| 70.  | Jonathan Kimball, for salary on Town Farm, from April 24th, to July 24th, 1871,  | 62 50           |
| 105. | Wm. G. Getchell, for 1174 lbs. hay for Town Farm, at \$22 00 per ton, in full, as per bill,  | 12 91           |
| 114. | A. C. Mildram, for half ton hay for Town Farm,   | 12 00           |
| 120. | Littlefield & Hatch, for goods furnished Town Farm, from May 2, 1871, to Feb. 7, 1872, as per bill,                                      | 96 46           |
| 29.  | George W. Wakefield, for salt hay for Town Farm,   | 6 72            |
| 129. | Wells Depot Union Store Co., for goods furnished Town Farm, from June 6, 1871, to Feb. 10, 1872, in full,                                | 46 29           |
| 130. | Jonathan Kimball, for salary on Town Farm, from July 24, 1871, to Jan. 24, 1872,   | 125 00          |
| 131. | Jonathan Kimball, for goods for Town Farm, from June 21, 1872, in full, as per bill,   | 27 65           |
|      |  | <u>\$642 37</u> |

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

## ORDER NO.

|     |  |                 |
|-----|--|-----------------|
| 14. | Hans P. Hobbs, for material furnished to repair new County road, near Richard Littlefield's, for the year 1870, as per bill, | \$33 84         |
| 33. | Moses Maxwell, for plank and railing for bridge and causeway, as per bill,   | 15 91           |
| 69. | Sullivan C. Hatch, for plank and stringers for Daniel Hill bridge, so called, as per bill,                                   | 61 39           |
| 75. | Charles Penny, for cash paid for labor and material to rebuild the Bennett bridge, as per bill,                              | 98 54           |
|     | Amount carried forward,  | <u>\$209 68</u> |

|                         |  |                |
|-------------------------|--|----------------|
| Amount brought forward, |  | \$209 68       |
| ORDER NO.               |  |                |
| 103.                    | Alpheus Littlefield, for cash paid for labor, spikes and ties, to repair highway near Atlantic House,  | 160 40         |
| 108.                    | Nicholas Littlefield, for stringers for bridge near said Littlefield's, 1825 feet, at 1 1-2 cts. per foot,                                   | 27 37          |
| 109.                    | Wm. Maxwell, for plank for bridge, near Nicholas Littlefield's, 906 feet, at 2 cents per foot, and one load of posts for Beach Road, \$3.00, | 21 12          |
| 110.                    | Christopher Littlefield, for cash paid for labor, timber and stone, to repair new road and bridge, as per bill,                              | 87 70          |
| 117.                    | William Goodale, for repairing highway near said Goodale's,  | 20 65          |
| 119.                    | Alfred G. Sweet, for repairing causeway near said Sweet's house,   | 6 00           |
| 9.                      | Henry H. Hubbard, for plank furnished for bridges for year 1870, as per bill,  | 13 40          |
| 140.                    | Alpheus Littlefield, Jr., for repairing railing near Atlantic House, in full, as per bill,   | 12 50          |
|                         |  | <hr/> \$558 82 |

## NEW ROADS AND BRIDGES.

## MANASSEH FURBISH ROAD.

|           |   |                |
|-----------|---|----------------|
| ORDER NO. |   |                |
| 10.       | Order in favor of Manasseh Furbish, for land taken for new road near Stephen Kimball's, | \$25 00        |
| 11.       | Order in favor of Manasseh Furbish, for building said road, as per contract,            | 60 00          |
| 12.       | Order in favor of Samuel Kimball, for land taken for same road,                         | 15 00          |
| 13.       | Order in favor of Stephen Kimball, for land taken for said road,                        | 100 00         |
|           |   | <hr/> \$200 00 |

## BEACH ROAD.

|                         |   |                 |
|-------------------------|---|-----------------|
| 28.                     | Order in favor of Clark & Hilton, in part pay for building new road to Beach,                         | \$1000 00       |
| 58.                     | Order in favor of Clark & Hilton, in part pay for building new road to Beach,                         | 1000 00         |
| 59.                     | Order in favor of Goodwin & Mildram, in full, as per contract, for railing new road across the marsh, | \$450 00        |
| 60.                     | Order in favor of C. L. Mildram, in full for extra cost on railing of new road,                       | 38 33           |
| Amount carried forward, |   | <hr/> \$2488 33 |

Amount brought forward,

\$2488 33

## ORDER NO.

|      |   |                  |
|------|---|------------------|
| 61.  | Order in favor of Clark & Hilton, in full, as per contract, for building new road to Beach,               | 1474 00          |
| 62.  | Order in favor of C. F. Clark, in full for grading gravel pit, 30 00, and extra labor on new road, 11 00, | 41 00            |
| 76.  | Order in favor of Clark & Hilton, for extra labor and materials for building Beach road, as per bill,     | 164 75           |
| 124. | Edwin Clark, in full for labor on Beach roads, as per bill,   | 35 00            |
| 125. | Order in favor of Jedediah Perkins, in full for labor on Beach roads, as per bill,                        | 42 00            |
| 132. | Order in favor of Charles F. Clark, for labor on new Beach road, as per bill,                             | 14 00            |
| 134. | Order in favor of Rufus Clark & Son, for land taken for Beach road across salt marsh,                     | 5 00             |
| 135. | Order in favor of George Baston, for land taken for Beach road across salt marsh,                         | 23 00            |
| 139. | Order in favor of Theo. Johnson, for land taken for Beach road across salt marsh,                         | 16 00            |
| 141. | Order in favor of J. M. Sargent, for land taken for Beach road across salt marsh,                         | 75 00— 1889 75   |
|      |   | <u>\$4378 08</u> |

## STEPHEN EATON ROAD.

## ORDER NO.

|     |  |                 |
|-----|--|-----------------|
| 68. | Order in favor of Edwin Clark, in full for cash paid for building Stephen Eaton road, as per bill, | \$70 75         |
| 78. | Order in favor of Jotham Williams, in full for land taken for Stephen Eaton road, as per award.    | 12 00           |
| 79. | Order in favor of Asa H. Bourne, in full for land taken for Stephen Eaton road, as per award,      | 6 00            |
| 80. | Order in favor of Sarah Hart, in full for land taken for Stephen Eaton road, as per award,         | 15 00           |
| 81. | Order in favor of Jane Brown, in full for land taken for Stephen Eaton road, as per award,         | 3 00            |
| 82. | Order in favor of Reuben Dorrell, in full for land taken for Stephen Eaton road, as per award,     | 3 00            |
|     |  | <u>\$109 75</u> |



## ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

## ORDER NO.

|      |  |       |
|------|--|-------|
| 2.   | Alvah Chaney of South Berwick, on real estate, \$6,65,<br>Dorothy Hatch, 2,80; poll tax of Joseph Man-<br>son, 3,00, for year 1868.  | 12 45 |
| 3.   | John Chaney, the Stuart estate, 16,20 for year 1869,   | 16 20 |
| 4.   | Poll tax of William Cook, 3,00; real estate of Doro-<br>thy Hatch, 4,08; Abraham Day, 5,10 for year '69,   | 12 13 |
| 5.   | Storer & Wakefield, for the Hussey wood lot, for<br>the year 1869,   | 20 40 |
| 6.   | Erastus Hatch, on real estate 2,00; John Goodwin on<br>personal estate 4,00 for the year 1869,   | 6 00  |
| 7.   | William G. Getchell, for tax of poll tax, 3,00, and on<br>personal estate of Maffett W. Bowden, 1,02;<br>Ira Chaney, 2,55; Josiah Sargent, on real estate,<br>2,55; George A. Perkins on personal estate,<br>12,75, for year 1869, | 21 87 |
| 8.   | Daniel R. Ford, on real estate, 22,27, for year 1869,  | 22 27 |
| 53.  | Edward Hilton, in full for abatement of poll tax for<br>year 1869,   | 3 00  |
| 54.  | Estate of Abraham Goodale in full for returned high-<br>way tax for year 1868,   | 3 64  |
| 55.  | Thos. P. Hilton, in full for tax on real estate, yr. 1869,   | 3 50  |
| 56.  | Jacob A. Stuart, in full for tax on real est. for yr. 1869,  | 24 00 |
| 71.  | Geo. Littlefield, in full for returned highway tax, 1869,  | 4 62  |
| 73.  | William G. Getchell, poll taxes of Charles Hamilton<br>and Oliver Stevens, for year 1869,  | 6 00  |
| 74.  | Charles Storer, in full for tax on real estate, 2,18;<br>Nath'l Littlefield, on real est. 12,00, for yr. 1869,   | 14 18 |
| 83.  | Joseph Stuart in full on real est., for yrs. 1869 and '70,   | 9 02  |
| 102. | Woodbury Wilson of York, tax on real estate in full<br>for year 1871,  | 2 30  |
| 106. | William G. Getchell, in full for taxes of John H.<br>Staples, 3,00; Joshua F. Hilton, 3,00; Charles<br>Buzzell, 3,00; George Cain, 3,00; Levi H. Lar-<br>ribee, 3,00; Poll taxes for year 1869,                                    | 15 00 |
| 107. | William G. Getchell, in full for taxes of Joseph D.<br>Bragdon, 3,20; real estate of Charles Larribee,<br>2,55; Second Con'l Parish, on real estate, 17,85;<br>Kendall Butland, poll tax for year 1869, 3,00,                      | 26 60 |

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 \$223 23



## MISCELLANEOUS.

## ORDER NO.

|                         |   |                |
|-------------------------|---|----------------|
| 1.                      | Order in favor of Bentley & Styles, in full, for damage, occasioned by defective highway,   | \$10 00        |
| 18.                     | Order in favor of John Hanscom of Biddeford, in full, for printing Town Reports for year 1871,  | 45 00          |
| 22.                     | Order in favor of Alvan Libby, in full, for medical attendance on Charles Srague, a pauper of York,   | 4 50           |
| 23.                     | Order in favor of Augustus Jones, in full, for care, and wood furnished for Town House, from April 2nd, 1870, to April 2nd, 1871,                           | 12 00          |
| 25.                     | Order in favor of Jere G. Hall, in full, for medical service, from Sept. 16th, 1869, to April 12th, 1871, as per bill,                                      | 12 00          |
| 26.                     | Order in favor of Jere. G. Hall, as Health officer, for year ending April 12th, 1871,   | 1 50           |
| 32.                     | Order in favor of Josephus Bragdon, in full, for services burying Tabiathea Cousens, as per bill,   | 3 00           |
| 34.                     | Order in favor of Jedediah Perkins, for cash paid Dorcas Maxwell, car fare to Fitz William,   | 6 00           |
| 35.                     | Order in favor of Eleazar Littlefield, in full, for blacksmith work for town,   | 5 35           |
| 57.                     | Order in favor of Mrs. D. W. Tripp, in full, for an order drawn for State aid, for the months of March and April, 1864, same being a duplicate of one lost, | 6 53           |
| 65.                     | Order in favor of A. K. Tripp, in full, for services in the Healey case, as per bill,   | 43 14          |
| 66.                     | Order in favor of A. K. Tripp, in full, for surveying roads in 1870 and 1871; witness in Mildram Road case, and making bonds and other papers, as per bill, | 25 15          |
| 67.                     | Order in favor of A. K. Tripp, in full for expenses in taking B. F. Deshon to the Insane Asylum,  | 21 90          |
| 72.                     | Order in favor of the American Asylum Host, in full, for goods furnished to Harriet N. Stuart,  | 4 95           |
| 77.                     | Order in favor of Jedediah Perkins, in full, for clothing furnished Harriet N. Stuart,  | 6 53           |
| 84.                     | Order in favor of Charles F. Clark, for supplies furnished Mrs. John Pierce,  | 9 00           |
| Amount carried forward, |   | <hr/> \$216 55 |

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| Amount brought forward, |   | \$216 55 |
| ORDER NO.               |   |          |
| 15.                     | Order in favor of Watson Brothers, for Collector's Tax Book, Highway Tax Book, Town Blanks &c.,   | 15 87    |
| 104.                    | Order in favor of Jacob Storer, in full for two tables for Town House, as per bill,   | 5 00     |
| 111.                    | Order in favor of Ira T. Drew, for services in the Healey case, in full, as per bill,   | 98 00    |
| 112.                    | Order in favor of Dane & Bourne, in full for legal service in Emlus Hill case, commission on execution against John M. Getchell, and other services, as per bill, | 22 40    |
| 113.                    | Order in favor of Maine State Asylem, for board of B. F. Deshon 5 5-7 weeks, in full, as per bill,  | 13 57    |
| 115.                    | Order in favor of John Hall, for sealing weights and measures, as per bill,   | 5 00     |
| 116.                    | Order in favor of N. M. Perkins, in full for set of dry measures, as per bill,  | 1 75     |
| 118.                    | Order in favor of Alvan Libby, in full for medical services rendered George A. Trafton, a South Berwick pauper, as per bill,                                      | 12 00    |
| 121.                    | Order in favor of Nathaniel Buzzell, in full for shoes and repairs, as per bill,  | 2 45     |
| 122.                    | Order in favor of Benjamin Hubbard, in full for recording births and deaths, to Feb. 13, 1872,  | 10 50    |
| 123.                    | Order in favor of Alvan Libby, in full for services as Health Officer, as per bill,   | 12 25    |
| 128.                    | Order in favor of Wm. Storer, for goods furnished Town Farm for the year 1870,  | 2 90     |
| 138.                    | Order in favor of Albert B. Maxwell, for burying a horse, per order of Health officer,  | 1 50     |
| 143.                    | Order in favor of William G. Getchell, for notifying Town Officers and Town Meeting, from April 28, 1870, to March, 1871, in full, as per bill,                   | 44 50    |
| 141.                    | Order in favor of Wm. G. Getchell, for collecting the balance of State, Town and County Tax, for the year 1869, in full,  | 34 28    |
| 145.                    | Order in favor of Wm. G. Getchell, for collecting State, Town, and County Tax for the year 1870, in part,   | 115 00   |
|                         |   | <hr/>    |
|                         |   | \$613 52 |

## RECAPITULATION.

|  |          |             |
|--|----------|-------------|
| For Schools,                           |          | \$2,965 80  |
| For S. S. Committee for the year 1870, | 45 75    |             |
| “ “ “ “ “ “ 1871,                      | 77 50    | 123 25      |
| For Town Officers for the year 1871,   |          | 413 68      |
| For Town Farm,                         |          | 642 37      |
| For Roads and Bridges,                 | 558 82   |             |
| For New Roads and Bridges,             | 4,687 83 | 5,246 65    |
| For Abatement of Taxes,                |          | 223 23      |
| For Miscellaneous Bills,               |          | 613 52      |
|  |          | <hr/>       |
|  |          | \$10,228 50 |

## TOWN FARM—ITEM STATEMENT.

*Town of Wells bought of Littlefield & Hatch.*

|                         |  |         |
|-------------------------|--|---------|
| 1871.                   |  |         |
| Feb. 13,                | 1 lb. tobacco,   | 75      |
| “ 15,                   | 2 lbs. sugar at 15,  | 30      |
| “ 18,                   | 1 barrel flour,  | 8 50    |
| “ 18,                   | 2 bushels meal at 1.10,  | 2 20    |
| “ 18,                   | 1 box salt 35, 1-2 gal. k oil 20, 1 lb soda 10,                            | 65      |
| “ 18,                   | 4 3-4 lbs. cheese at 18, 1 lb. tobacco 50,                                 | 1 36    |
| “ 18,                   | 2 k lamp wicks 3c,   | 03      |
| “ 23,                   | 1-4 lb. cassia 20c, 1-2 lb. tobacco 35, 1 lb. ginger 40,                   | 95      |
| “ 23,                   | 1 box cayenne 17, 1 lb. cream tartar 56, 1 box g sage 18,                  | 91      |
| “ 23,                   | 2 1-2 lbs. crackers at 10, 2 lbs. sugar at 15,                             | 55      |
| “ 23,                   | 1 pair shoe lacings,   | 05      |
| “ 25,                   | 1-2 gal. k oil at 40,  | 20      |
| “ 25,                   | 3 yds. crash at 16,  | 48      |
| “ 28,                   | 1 lb. tobacco 70, 2 spools thread at 5,                                    | 80      |
| Mar. 7,                 | 3 yds. satinet at 72, 7 yds. sheeting at 14,                               | 3 14    |
| “ 7,                    | 4 spools thread at 5, 3 lbs. nails at 6,                                   | 38      |
| “ 11,                   | 6 yds. sheeting at 14, 1 lb. tobacco 1.00,                                 | 1 84    |
| “ 11,                   | 2 1-2 lbs. crackers at 10,   | 25      |
| “ 18,                   | 1 lb. tobacco 70, 3 1-2 lbs. of butter at 30, 1 dozen pipes 10,            | 1 85    |
| “ 18,                   | 1 burner and chimney,  | 25      |
| “ 23,                   | 1 lb. tea 1.00, 1 pair shoe lacings, 4,                                    | 1 04    |
| “ 24,                   | 1-2 gal k oil at 40, 1 spool thread 5,                                     | 25      |
| “ 30,                   | 3 lbs. sugar at 15,  | 45      |
| “ 30,                   | 1 lb. saleratus 10,  | 10      |
| April 8,                | 1 lb. tea 1.00, 1 lb. tobacco 70, 1-2 lb. ginger 20, 3 spools thread at 5, | 2 05    |
|                         |  | <hr/>   |
| Amount carried forward. |  | \$29 33 |

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| Amount brought forward,                                      | \$29 33 |
| 1871.  |         |
| April 17, 1-2 gal k oil at 40, 1 lb. soda 10,                | 30      |
| " 17, 3 lbs. crackers at 10, 10 yds. print at 12 1-2,        | 1 55    |
| " 17, 1 water pail 25, 1 bottle c oil 17,                    | 42      |
| " 22, 2 lbs. sugar at 12, 6 1-2 lbs. cheese at 23,           | 1 54    |
| " 25, 1 lb. tea 1.00, 1 lb. saleratus 10, 1-4 lb. pepper 10, | 1 20    |
| " 25, 2 bush red top seed at 1.60,                           | 3 20    |
| " 25, 16 lbs. clover seed at 14, 1 bbl. flour 8.50,          | 10 74   |
| " 25, 1 hoe 65,  | 65      |
|  | <hr/>   |
|  | \$48 93 |

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| March 20, By 6 dozen eggs at 18, | 1 08    |
|                                  | <hr/>   |
|                                  | \$47 85 |

*Town of Wells bought of Littlefield & Hatch.*

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| 1871.  |         |
| May 2, 1 package stove polish 10, 1 spool thread 5,  | 15      |
| " 2, 1-2 dozen buttons at 12,                        | 06      |
| " 9, 1-2 gal. oil at 40,                             | 23      |
| " 9, 1 lb. tea 1.00, 5 paper curtains at 10,         | 1 50    |
| " 9, 3 lbs. sugar at 15, 1 lb. tobacco 70,           | 1 15    |
| " 9, 1 lb. crackers 10, 2 chimneys at 8,             | 26      |
| " 13, 1 paper garden seeds 5, 1 lb. ginger 40,       | 45      |
| " 19, 2 lbs. sugar at 12 1-2, 1 lb. saleratus 10,    | 35      |
| " 19, 1-4 lb. nutmegs at 1.60, 1 lb. tobacco 70,     | 1 10    |
| " 31, 2 lbs. sugar at 15, 3 spools thread at 5,      | 45      |
| " 31, 3 lbs. cheese at 18,                           | 54      |
| June 6, 1 lb. tobacco 70, 1 pair shoes 1.15,         | 1 85    |
| " 14, 2 lbs. sugar at 15, 1 spool thread 5,          | 35      |
| " 14, 1 package stove polish 10,                     | 10      |
| " 17, 1-4 lb. cloves 15, 1 lb. starch 15,            | 30      |
| " 17, 1 bbl. flour 9.00,                             | 9 00    |
| " 17, 4 yds. sheeting at 15, 1 lb. ginger 40,        | 1 00    |
| " 17, 2 spools thread at 5, linen thread 15,         | 25      |
| " 17, 1 scythe 1.15, 1 lb. tobacco 73,               | 1 93    |
| July 8, 2 1-2 lbs. crackers at 10,                   | 25      |
| " 17, 1 box salt 35, 2 lbs. sugar at 15,             | 65      |
| " 17, 3 yds. print at 12 1-2, 1-4 lb. nutmeg 40,     | 78      |
| " 17, 1 spool thread 5,                              | 05      |
| " 19, 1 pound saleratus 10,                          | 10      |
| " 27, 1 bbl. flour 9.00, 2 bush meal at 95,          | 10 90   |
| " 27, 5 lbs. crackers at 10,                         | 50      |
| Aug. 4, 1 lb. tobacco 70, 1 package stove polish 10, | 80      |
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| Amount carried forward,                              | \$35 02 |

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|-------------------------|--|----------|
| Amount brought forward, |  | \$35 02  |
| 1871.                   |  |          |
| Aug. 5,                 | 1 pr. shoes 1.25, 2 spools thread at 5,  | \$1 35   |
| " 24,                   | 4 lbs. soap at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ , $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs. tobacco at 75,                | 1 05     |
| " 26,                   | 1 bbl. flour 8.50, 1 bed cord  | 9 00     |
| " 28,                   | 2 bush meal at 90, $\frac{1}{2}$ bush salt at 65,                                  | 2 13     |
| Sept 11,                | 2 lamp chimneys at 8,  | 16       |
| " 12,                   | 4 bush meal at 90,   | 3 60     |
| " 15,                   | Lamp wicks 5, 1 lamp chimney 8,  | 13       |
| " 21,                   | 45 $\frac{1}{2}$ yds. sheeting at 15, 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs. tobacco at 7,           | 8 08     |
| " 21,                   | $\frac{1}{2}$ gal. k oil 20, 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ yds. print at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ,      | 39       |
| " 26,                   | 1 spool thread 5,  | 05       |
| Oct. 10,                | $\frac{1}{2}$ dozen bowls at 2.00,   | 1 00     |
| " 21,                   | 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. beef,  | 1 56     |
| " 27,                   | $\frac{3}{4}$ lb. tobacco,   | 55       |
| " 30,                   | 1 barrel of flour,   | 9 00     |
| Nov. 4,                 | 1 package stove polish, 10,  | 10       |
| " 14,                   | 1 Goad 20, 1 bush onions 80,   | 1 00     |
| " 25,                   | 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. crackers at 10, 2 lbs. Raisins at 20,                         | 65       |
| " 25,                   | 2 lbs. sugar at 14, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. nutmeg 40,                                   | 68       |
| " 25,                   | $\frac{1}{4}$ bush apples 62, $\frac{1}{2}$ gal. oil 20, $\frac{1}{4}$ pimento 10, | 92       |
| " 25,                   | 1 box salt 35,   | 35       |
| " 28,                   | $\frac{1}{4}$ bush salt 20, 1 lb. soda 10,   | 30       |
| Dec. 16,                | $\frac{1}{2}$ gal. k oil at 40, 2 lbs. soda at 10, thread 5,                       | 45       |
| " 16,                   | 4 yds. flannel 88,   | 88       |
| " 23,                   | $\frac{1}{2}$ gal. oil 20, 1 lb. tobacco 70, 1 lb. ginger 40,                      | 1 30     |
| " 23,                   | 2 spools thread at 5,  | 10       |
| " 28,                   | 1 pair boots 4.50, $\frac{1}{2}$ gal. k oil 20,                                    | 4 70     |
| 1872.                   |  |          |
| Jan. 1,                 | 2 lbs. crackers at 10, $\frac{1}{2}$ yd. ticking 18,                               | .38      |
| " 1,                    | 2 spools thread at 5,  | 10       |
| " 6,                    | 1 bbl. flour 9.25, 1 bush onions 1.00.   | 10 25    |
| " 17,                   | 1 lb. tobacco 45,  | 45       |
| " 20,                   | $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. cloves 15, 2 lbs. soap at 15, 1 ivory comb 18,                   | 63       |
| " 21,                   | 2 packages stove polish at 10,   | 20       |
| Feb. 1,                 | 1 lb. tobacco 45, $\frac{1}{2}$ gal oil 20,  | 65       |
| " 1,                    | 1 spool thread 5, 1 ball shoe thread 13,   | 18       |
| " 1,                    | 1 bbl. flour 9.75,   | 9 75     |
| " 5,                    | 1 lb. crackers 10, thread 5,   | 15       |
|                         |  | <hr/>    |
|                         |  | \$107 24 |

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| 1871.    |                    |         |
| May 2,   | By 7 dozen eggs,   | \$1.17  |
| " 20,    | By 7 dozen eggs,   | 1.26    |
| June 17  | By 5 dozen eggs,   | 1.00    |
| Aug. 26, | By 20 lbs. butter, | 7.35    |
|          |                    | <hr/>   |
|          |                    | 10 78   |
|          |                    | <hr/>   |
|          |                    | \$96 46 |



*Town of Wells bought of Wells Depot Union Store Co.:*

|          |   |               |
|----------|---|---------------|
| 1871.    |   |               |
| Mar. 11, | To 3 yds. cloth at 45, 1 lb. soda 10,     | \$1 45        |
| " 11,    | 1/4 lb. pepper 10, 1 spool thread 5,      | 15            |
| " 18,    | 1 lb. tobacco 65,                         | 65            |
| " 23,    | 1 bbl. flour 9.00, 1 chimney 8,           | 9 08          |
| April 1, | 1/2 lb. tobacco 25,                       | 25            |
| " 8,     | 1/2 lb. tobacco 30,                       | 30            |
| " 8,     | 1 lb. soap 12,                            | 12            |
| " 17,    | 1 lb. tobacco 65, 1/4 lb. cloves 15,      | 80            |
| " 22,    | 5 yds. bleached cotton at 10,             | 50            |
| " 29,    | 1 lb. tobacco 65,                         | 65            |
| May 9,   | 10 bush meal at 1.00, 1 gal. molasses 50, | 10 50         |
| " 22,    | 1/4 gross matches 55,                     | 55            |
| " 23,    | 3 lbs. cheese at 20, 1 box salt 35,       | 95            |
| " 30,    | 1 bbl. flour 9.00, 1 lb. tobacco 65,      | 9 65          |
| June 6,  | 1 lb. saleratus 10,                       | 10            |
| " 17,    | 2 bush meal at 95, 1 lb. tobacco 65,      | 2 55          |
|          |   | <hr/> \$38 25 |

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| 1871.   |                         |               |
| June 6, | By 10 dozen eggs at 17, | 1 70          |
|         |                         | <hr/> \$36 55 |

*Town of Wells bought of Wells Depot Union Store Co.:*

|          |   |                                       |
|----------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1871.    |   |                                       |
| July 3,  | To 2 bags meal at 1.90, 1 bag corn 1.90,                                  | \$5 70                                |
| " 3,     | 1 lb. tobacco 65, 2 chimneys at 8c. 16,                                   | 81                                    |
| " 8,     | 1 box salt 25, 1 lb. saleratus 10,  | 35                                    |
| " 8,     | 1 1/2 yds. celicia at 16c,  | 24                                    |
| " 19,    | 1 lb. tobacco 65,   | 65                                    |
| Aug. 5,  | 1 lb. tobacco 65, 1 lb. saleratus 10.                                     | 75                                    |
| " 5,     | Thread 10,  | 10                                    |
| " 7,     | 1 bag meal 1.80, 1 bag corn, 1.80,  | 3 60                                  |
| " 10,    | 2 pints oil 20, 1 stick braid 8, thread 5,                                | 33                                    |
| " 19,    | 1 lb. saleratus 10, 2 lbs. sugar at 15, 1/4 lb. pepper 10,                | 50                                    |
| " 19,    | 3 yds. cloth at 15,   | 45                                    |
| " 24,    | 3 1/2 yds. ticking at 60,   | 2 10                                  |
| Sept. 2, | 1 lb. tobacco 65, 1 lb. sal. 10, thread 15,                               | 90                                    |
| " 15,    | 1 lb. tobacco 65, 1/4 lb. ginger 10, 1/4 lb. cassia 20,                   | 95                                    |
| " 26,    | 1 box salt 35,  | 35                                    |
| " 29,    | 1 bbl. flour 9.00, 1 lb. sal. 10, 1 chimney 8,                            | 9 18                                  |
| Oct. 7,  | 1 lb. tobacco 65, 2 qts. oil 20, 1 dozen buttons 18,                      | 1 03                                  |
| " 10,    | 1 rake 30, 2 lbs. sugar at 15, 2 lbs. crackers at 10,                     | 80                                    |
| " 10,    | Braid 15, Thread 10,  | 25                                    |
| " 17,    | 1 bag meal 2.00, 1/2 gal. oil 20, 1/2 lb. tobacco 20, 1 lb. saleratus 10, | 2 50                                  |
| " 17,    | 3 yds. crash at 16,   | 48                                    |
| " 21,    | 5 lbs. cheese at 17, 1 lb. tobacco 65, 1/4 lb. cloves 15,                 | 1 65                                  |
| " 21,    | 1/4 lb. pepper 10, 1 box cayenne 13, lb. saleratus 10,                    | 33                                    |
| " 27,    | Glass 30, 11 lbs. pork at 12 1/2, 1/2 gall oil 20,                        | 1 88                                  |
| " 27,    | 1/4 gross matches 55, pins 8, braid 8,                                    | 71                                    |
|          |   | <hr/> Amount carried forward, \$36 50 |



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|         | Amount brought forward,                                     | \$36 59        |
| Nov. 6, | 1 lb. tobacco 65, 1 lb. saleratus 10,                       | 75             |
| " 10,   | 5½ lbs. pork at 12½, thread 5,                              | 74             |
| " 22,   | ½ lb. tobacco 33, 1 box mustard 25, bootlacings 3,          | 61             |
| " 22,   | ½ lb. tobacco 25,   | 25             |
| Dec. 9, | 1 bbl. flour 9.75, ½ gal. oil 20, 1 lb. tobacco 65,         | 10 60          |
| " 9,    | ½ lb. tobacco 25, 1 chimney 8, boot lacings 4,              | 37             |
| " 9,    | 1 dish 30,  | 30             |
| " 23,   | 1 lb. tobacco 65, 1 chimney 8,                              | 73             |
| 1872.   |   |                |
| Jan. 6, | ½ gal oil 20, 2 lbs. sugar at 15, ¼ lb. Cassia 20,          | 70             |
| " 6,    | Pimento 12, 2 chimneys at 8, 2 wicks at 2,                  | 32             |
| " 12,   | 2 bars nice tobacco at 35, 1 lb. saleratus 10, crackers 25, | 1 05           |
| " 12,   | Boot lacings 8,   | 08             |
| " 17,   | ½ gal. oil 20,  | 20             |
| " 23,   | 2 bars nice tobacco at 35,                                  | 70             |
|         |   | <u>\$53 99</u> |

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| July 8,  | By 7 doz. eggs at 20,  | \$1 40         |
| " 19,    | " 5 doz. eggs at 20,   | 1 00           |
| Aug. 5,  | " 3 doz. eggs at 20,   | 60             |
| " 19,    | " 7 doz. eggs at 20,   | 1 40           |
| " 24,    | " 4 doz. eggs at 20,   | 80             |
| Sept. 2, | " 4 ½ doz. eggs at 20, | 90             |
| " 15,    | " 5 doz. eggs at 22,   | 1 10           |
| " 26,    | " 2 doz. eggs at 25,   | 50             |
|          |                        | <u>7 70</u>    |
|          |                        | <u>\$46 29</u> |

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|-------|---|-----------------|
| 1871. | Jonathan Kimball, 12 month's salary on Town Farm,                           | \$250 00        |
|       | Jonathan Kimball, for goods furnished Town Farm,                            | 27 65           |
|       | Jonathan Kimball, exchange of cows, pigs, and goods<br>furnished Town Farm, | 41 26           |
|       | Richardson, Harris & Co., as per bill,                                      | 64 68           |
|       | William G. Getchell, hay furnished Town Farm,                               | 12 91           |
|       | A. C. Mildram, hay furnished Town Farm,                                     | 12 00           |
|       | Geo. W. Wakefield, hay furnished Town Farm,                                 | 6 72            |
|       |   | <u>\$415 22</u> |
|       | Sum total of item statements,   | \$663 63.       |

## RECAPITULATION.

*Products sold from Town Farm :*

|                                      |                           |                         |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Seventy-two and one half dozen eggs, | \$13 91                   |                         |
| Twenty pounds butter,                | 7 35                      |                         |
| Twelve pounds chickens,              | { Paid in goods by } 2 04 |                         |
| Six pounds fowl,                     |                           | { George Getchell, } 90 |
| Boot between oxen,                   | 95 00                     |                         |
| One calf sold,                       | 6 75                      |                         |
| Due from Jos. Storer, for labor,     | 8 00                      |                         |
|                                      | <hr/>                     | \$133 95                |

\$529 68.

|  |  |         |
|--|--|---------|
| Due from Aaron Maxwell, for board of Joseph Maxwell at Town Farm, from Aug. 19th, 1871, to Feb. 24th, 1872, 27 weeks at 3 00 per week, |  | \$81 00 |
| $\$81\ 00 - \$27\ 00 = \$54\ 00.$  |  |         |

\$475 68  
 2 94

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| Amount of expenses on Town Farm, | <hr/> | \$478 62 |
|----------------------------------|-------|----------|

## OUTSTANDING ORDERS, OF 1861,

## ORDER NO.

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| 94. School District No. 1, | \$78 67  |
| Interest on above order,   | 56 00    |
|                            | <hr/>    |
|                            | \$134 67 |

## OUTSTANDING ORDERS OF 1867.

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| 95. School District No. 5, | \$218 40 |
| Interest on above order,   | 65 56    |
|                            | <hr/>    |
|                            | \$283 96 |

## OUTSTANDING ORDERS OF 1871.

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| 80. Sarah Hart,            | \$15 00  |
| 81. Jane Brown,            | 3 00     |
| 108. Nicholas Littlefield, | 27 37    |
| 119. Alfred G. Sweet,      | 6 00     |
| 121. Nathaniel Buzzell,    | 2 45     |
| 122. Benjamin Hubbard,     | 10 50    |
| 135. George Baston,        | 23 00    |
| 138. Albert B. Maxwell,    | 1 50     |
| 139. Theodore Johnson,     | 16 00    |
|                            | <hr/>    |
|                            | \$104 82 |

## OUTSTANDING TREASURY NOTES OF 1868.

| DATE.    |   |            |
|----------|---|------------|
| Jan. 25, | Wm. Hussey (4 notes of \$1,000 00 each) | \$4,000 00 |
|          | Interest on above notes,                | 976 66     |

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## OUTSTANDING TREASURY NOTES OF 1869.

| DATE.    |                          |          |
|----------|--------------------------|----------|
| Feb. 14, | Hannah N. Littlefield,   | \$322 49 |
| Mar. 26, | George Goodwin 2nd,      | 75 00    |
| Apr. 22, | Hannah Littlefield,      | 64 37    |
| Aug. 27, | Stephen J. Hatch,        | 116 49   |
|          | Interest on above notes, | 83 92    |
|          |                          | <hr/>    |
|          |                          | \$662 27 |

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## OUTSTANDING TREASURY NOTES OF 1870.

| DATE.          |  |            |
|----------------|--|------------|
| Feb. 23,       | Joseph Hilton,                                       | \$1,052 50 |
| May 19,        | Zibiah Hatch,  | 215 24     |
| June 9,        | Joseph H. Penny,                                     | 285 00     |
| June 22,       | Sarah A. Littlefield,                                | 140 00     |
| June 22,       | John B. Maxwell,                                     | 741 43     |
| Oct. 13,       | Sarah W. Hill,                                       | 200 00     |
| June 6,        | Olive H. Hatch,                                      | 28 00      |
| Oct. 23,       | A. J. Penny,   | 151 79     |
| Nov. 3,        | Mary A. Rankins,                                     | 70 00      |
| Dec. 1,        | Ivory Chaney,  | 600 00     |
| Oct. 8,        | Lovicy A. Young,                                     | 280 00     |
| Oct. 17,       | Joseph H. Mildram,                                   | 400 00     |
| Jan. 28, 1871, | Joseph H. Mildram,                                   | 500 00     |
| Jan. 20,       | Louisa Jones,  | 200 00     |
| Feb. 21,       | Mary Storer,   | 286 00     |
| Nov. 3,        | Benevolent Society of the 2nd Congregational Church, | 84 31      |
| Nov. 3,        | Susan M. Rankins,                                    | 141 24     |
|                | Interest on above notes,                             | 507 44     |
|                |  | <hr/>      |
|                |  | \$5,882 95 |

## OUTSTANDING TREASURY NOTES OF 1871.

| DATE.     |  |            |
|-----------|--|------------|
| Feb. 28,  | Nancy Gowen,                                     | \$1,150 00 |
| Mar. 5,   | Abner & Wm. Chaney,                              | 633 92     |
| Mar. 8,   | Solomon Littlefield,                             | 723 60     |
| Mar. 7,   | Harriet N. Hatch,                                | 107 00     |
| Mar. 18,  | John Wells,                                      | 140 00     |
| Mar. 19,  | John Wells,                                      | 1,000 00   |
| Apr. 1,   | Eliab Stevens,                                   | 380 00     |
| Apr. 11,  | Wm. Clark,                                       | 752 00     |
| Apr. 15,  | Benevolent Society of 2nd Congregational Church, | 141 35     |
| Apr. 15,  | John Rankins,                                    | 108 60     |
| Apr. 22,  | Mary A. Rankins,                                 | 249 20     |
| Apr. 22,  | Edner Young,                                     | 109 31     |
| Apr. 22,  | Joseph Young,                                    | 500 00     |
| May 23,   | Louisa Witham,                                   | 200 00     |
| May 26,   | Alvan Libby, Agent,                              | 719 00     |
| May 26,   | Alvan Libby,                                     | 1,300 00   |
| July 11,  | Laura R. Littlefield,                            | 2,000 00   |
| May 23,   | Lintha Witham,                                   | 200 00     |
| June 18,  | William G. Cole,                                 | 500 00     |
| June 22,  | Eunice Littlefield,                              | 700 00     |
| June 22,  | Harriet W. Hobbs,                                | 160 00     |
| July 11,  | Susan F. Wheelwright,                            | 200 00     |
| July 15,  | George Bean,                                     | 950 00     |
| July 15,  | 2nd Congregational Church,                       | 79 39      |
| July 22,  | Samuel S. Cole,                                  | 100 00     |
| July 22,  | Wm. G. Cole,                                     | 100 00     |
| July 22,  | Mary Cole,                                       | 60 00      |
| July 31,  | Thomas B. Littlefield,                           | 307 84     |
| Sept. 13, | Hiram Littlefield,                               | 1,100 00   |
| Sept. 14, | Susan F. Wheelwright,                            | 200 00     |
| Sept. 23, | Joseph M. Goodwin,                               | 822 00     |
| Sept. 23, | Lydia Bourne,                                    | 230 00     |
| Sept. 24, | Daniel Wheelwright,                              | 125 00     |
| Sept. 24, | Harriet W. Hobbs,                                | 240 00     |
| Sept. 24, | Elizabeth F. Grant,                              | 200 00     |
| Nov. 2,   | Samuel S. Cole,                                  | 200 00     |
| Nov. 3,   | Wm. Hobbs,                                       | 1,100 00   |
| Nov. 8,   | Nancy Sargent,                                   | 200 00     |
| Nov. 30,  | Hannah Eaton,                                    | 150 00     |

Amount carried forward,

\$18,138 21

|                                      |             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Amount brought forward,              | \$18,138 21 |
| Jan. 1, 1872, Elizabeth Cole,        | 111 31      |
| Jan. 1, " Lucy G. Cole,              | 194 80      |
| Jan. 33, " Martha Wells,             | 50 00       |
| Jan. 22, " John L. Wells,            | 200 00      |
| May 13, 1871, Malinda C. Bragdon,    | 250 00      |
| June 29, Asa S. Clark,               | 750 00      |
| June 26, Wm. Hobbs,                  | 100 00      |
| June 27, Cyrus H. Hobbs,             | 1,000 00    |
| July 8, Alvan Libby,                 | 60 00       |
| July 10, Joseph Hilton,              | 371 00      |
| July 10, Tristram Hilton,            | 1,100 00    |
| July 20, Eliab Stevens,              | 80 00       |
| Aug. 7, Paulina Shorey,              | 25 00       |
| Sept. 1, Joseph H. Mildram,          | 300 00      |
| Sept. 15, Alvan Libby, Agent,        | 42 00       |
| Sept. 15, Alvan Libby,               | 50 00       |
| Sept. 20, Tristram Hilton,           | 200 00      |
| Oct. 16, Charles H. Littlefield,     | 50 00       |
| Nov. 3, Ancelele Littlefield,        | 100 00      |
| " 4, Henry C. Hart,                  | 100 00      |
| " 7, Hannah J. Libbey and others,    | 256 00      |
| " 22, William Clark Jr.,             | 275 60      |
| Dec. 1, Joseph H. Mildram,           | 300 00      |
| " 12, Daniel Wheelwright,            | 80 00       |
| " 29, Alvan Libby, Agent,            | 100 00      |
| " " Alvan Libby,                     | 150 00      |
| Jan. 22, 1872, Eliab Stevens,        | 150 00      |
| Dec. 22, 1871, Olive A. Littlefield, | 90 00       |
| Dec. 29, 1871, Paulina Shorey,       | 65 00       |
| Feb. 7, 1872, Forest Eaton,          | 432 85      |
| Feb. 7, Wm. H. Eaton,                | 71 16       |
| Feb. 8, Cyrus H. Hobbs,              | 1,000 00    |
| Feb. 16, Paulina Shorey,             | 75 00       |
| Feb. 16, Edwin Clark, Agent,         | 52 46       |
| Feb. 21, Eliza Wilds,                | 60 00       |
| Interest on aboves notes,            | 1,067 25    |
|                                      | <hr/>       |
|                                      | \$27,497 64 |



## STATEMENT,

*Showing the Financial condition of the Town at the date of this Report.*

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 LIABILITIES.

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Outstanding Orders of 1861 and interest,             | \$134 67          |
| “ “ “ 1867 “ “                                       | 283 96            |
| “ “ “ 1871 “ “                                       | 104 82            |
| “ Treasury Notes of 1868 and Interest,               | 4,976 66          |
| “ “ “ “ 1869 “ “                                     | 662 27            |
| “ “ “ “ 1870 “ “                                     | 5,882 95          |
| “ “ “ “ 1871 “ “                                     | 27,497 64         |
| Due to land holders for road damages, about \$600 00 | 600 00            |
|  | <hr/> \$40,142 97 |

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 RESOURCES.

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Due from non-resident taxes of 1866-7,                    | 32 05             |
| “ “ “ “ “ 1868,   | 31 82             |
| “ “ “ “ “ 1869,   | 273 74            |
| “ “ “ “ “ 1870,   | 257 69            |
| “ “ State School Fund,                                    | 81 00             |
| “ “ Joseph Storer, for labor on town farm,                | 8 00              |
| “ “ Aaron Maxwell, for board of Joseph Maxwell 27 weeks,  | 81 00             |
| “ “ Wm. G. Getchell, on tax of 1870,                      | 100 00            |
| “ “ E. M. Littlefield, on tax of 1871,                    | 8,907 04          |
| “ “ A. K. Tripp, Guardian of Emlus Hill, (supposed to be) | 500 00            |
| Cash in hands of Treasurer,                               | 5,899 04          |
|   | <hr/> \$16,171 38 |
| Amount of liabilities, deducting resources,               | \$23,971 59.      |

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 STOCK AND PROVISIONS ON TOWN FARM.

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| One barrel of flour,                            | \$9 75  |
| Seventy-five bushels potatoes,                  | 37 50   |
| Two hundred and twenty-eight pounds clear pork, | 27 36   |
| Twenty pounds lard,                             | 3 33    |
| Three pounds butter,                            | 1 05    |
| Fifteen gallons molasses,                       | 7 50    |
| Twenty gallons vinegar,                         | 10 00   |
| Ten gallons soap,                               | 1 50    |
|   | <hr/>   |
| Amount carried forward,                         | \$97 99 |



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| Amount brought forward,                          | \$97 99  |
| Ten bushels turnips,                             | 3 33     |
| Twenty pounds tea, (1-2 chest,) at 65c. per lb., | 13 00    |
| Four bushels barley,                             | 4 00     |
| One and a half bushels beans,                    | 4 50     |
| Twenty-two bushels shelled corn,                 | 22 00    |
| Three tons of hay,                               | 90 00    |
| One yoke of oxen,                                | 100 00   |
| Two cows,  | 70 00    |
| Twenty hens,                                     | 10 00    |
|  | <hr/>    |
|  | \$414 82 |

#### APPROPRIATIONS.

*The Town voted at its last Annual Meeting to raise the following sums :*

|   |             |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| For support of Poor and other Town expenses,  | \$ 2,000 00 |             |
| For support of Schools,   | 3,000 00    |             |
|   | <hr/>       | \$5,000 00  |
| For repairs of Highways,  |             | 3,900 00    |
| <i>Voted, That all the unexpended money of the Fifteen Hundred Dollars raised last year, for clearing all obstructions of every kind from the road, to make it passable, is to be used for the purpose that it was last year.</i> |             |             |
| <i>Voted, To raise Five Thousand Dollars to pay towards the Town's indebtedness,</i>  |             | \$ 5,000 00 |
| <i>Voted, To raise Five Thousand Dollars for building New Road across the salt marsh to the Beach,</i>  |             | \$ 5,000 00 |
| State Tax,  | \$ 3,426 09 |             |
| County Tax,   | 1,158 29    |             |
| Overlay,  | 644 98      |             |
|   | <hr/>       | \$ 5,229 36 |

## SERVICES OF TOWN OFFICERS—IN ITEMS.

| TOWN OF WELLS,   | TO EDWIN CLARK, DR. |
|--|---------------------|
| 1871, March 15, To 1-2 day at Town House, on town business,  | \$1 00              |
| April 1, To 1 day at Town House, on town business,   | 2 00                |
| April 3, 4, 6 and 7, To 4 days, taking valuation of personal property,   | 8 00                |
| April 12, To 1 day at Town House, on valuation, and to receive proposals to rail Beach Road,   | 2 00                |
| April 20, 21, 22, To 3 days making highway tax and copy,   | 6 00                |
| April 26, To 1-2 day to beach, to lay out road, make return, and draw warrant for Moody,   | 1 00                |
| May 20, To journey to Town Farm and Wells Depot to send to Portland for goods,   | 1 00                |
| June 8, To journey to Kennebunk on Pauper case,  | 1 00                |
| June 9, To examining case of B. F. Deshon for hospital,  | 1 00                |
| June 10, To 1 day at Town House to apportion and draw Summer School Orders and other town business,  | 2 00                |
| June 19, To journey to Kennebunk to consult Dr. Spear of the insanity of Deshon,   | 1 00                |
| June 20, To making arrangement for sending Desl. on for admittance to the Insane Asylum,   | 1 00                |
| July 3, To 1 day on valuation, and laying State, Town and County tax,  | 2 00                |
| July 26, 27, 28, 29, To 4 days making State, Town and County tax, and copy,  | 8 00                |
| July 31, To journey to Ogunquit on Pauper case, and to notify the land holders of S. Eaton's Road,   | 1 00                |
| Aug. 21, To making Check List for Clerk's office,  | 2 00                |
| Aug. 25, To journey to Clerk's office to draw Jurors,  | 1 00                |
| Aug. 29, To 1 day with Collector on business, and drawing warrant for Sept. Election,  | 2 00                |
| Aug. 31, To journey to Aaron Maxwell's, in regard to the Suit of B. Maxwell with Joseph Maxwell, and to examine the road near John-son M. Bragdon's, and the bridge near Nathan Clark's,   | 2 00                |
| Oct. 4, To journey to Dr. Libby's and to Beach case of Small Pox,  | 1 50                |
| Nov. 6, To 1 day at Town House to settle with land holders of Beach and S. Eaton's Road, as per notice, and draw Winter School Orders,   | 2 00                |
| Dec. 2, To journey to Silas and Sewall Bragdon's, Burnt Mill, Cole's Corner, and Boothby Roads for examination before meeting County Commissioners in regard to B. & M. R. Road Crossings, | 2 00                |
| Dec. 13, To meeting County Commissioners in regard to manner of B. & M. R. Road crossing above mentioned roads,  | 2 00                |
| Dec. 25, To journey to Aaron Maxwell's to remove Joseph Maxwell and present bill in payment for board,   | 2 00                |
| 1872, Jan 20, To meeting at Town House on business for town,   | 1 00                |
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## TOWN OF WELLS

## TO JEDEDIAH PERKINS, DR.

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|-----------------------------------|---|---------------|
| 1871, Mar. 15,                    | To 1-2 day at Town House, on town business,   | \$1 00        |
| April 1,                          | To 1 day at Town House, to receive lists of Polls and Es-<br>tates to be taxed,   | 2 00          |
| April 3, 4, 8, 13, and 1-2 of 15, | To 4 1-2 days taking Inventory,   | 9 00          |
| " 12,                             | To 1 day at Town House, on valuation and to receive propo-<br>sals to rail Beach road,  | 2 00          |
| " 20, 22, 24, and 1-2 of 25,      | To 3 1-2 days making Highway Tax<br>and copying same,   | 7 00          |
| " 26,                             | To 1-2 day to Beach, to lay out road, make return, and draw<br>warrant for Town Meeting,  | 1 00          |
| June 9,                           | To journey to Branch, on examination of B. Deshon, for ad-<br>mittance to Insyne Asylem,  | 1 50          |
| " 10,                             | To 1 day at Town House, to apportion money and draw Sum-<br>mer School Orders, and other town business,                                   | 2 00          |
| " 26,                             | To journey to North Berwick, in regard to H. N. Stewart,  | 1 50          |
| July 3,                           | To 1 day on valuation, and State, Town and County Tax,  | 2 00          |
| " 27, 28, 29 and 31,              | To 4 days making State, Town and County<br>Tax, and copying,  | 8 00          |
| Aug. 19,                          | To conveyance of Joseph Maxwell to Town Farm,   | 2 00          |
| " 24,                             | To making Check List for Town Officers, and paper furnished<br>for same,  | 2 50          |
| " 29,                             | To 1 day on business with Collector, and drawing warrant for<br>September election,   | 2 00          |
| Sept. 24,                         | To journey to Beach, to post notices, and put flags up in re-<br>lation to contagious disease,  | 1 50          |
| Nov. 6,                           | To 1 day at Town House, to settle with land holders of Beach<br>and Stephen Eaton roads, as per notice, and draw<br>Winter School Orders, | 2 00          |
| Dec. 4,                           | To journey to S. Bragdon's, Burnt Mill road, for examina-<br>tion, before meeting County Commissioners,                                   | 2 00          |
| " 13,                             | To 1 day at Ocean House, with County Commissioners, in<br>regard to Boston & Maine R. R. crossing town roads,                             | 2 00          |
| 1872, Jan. 20,                    | To 1 day at Town House, on Town business,   | 2 00          |
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## TOWN OF WELLS

## TO CHARLES F. CLARK, DR.

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| 1871, Mar. 7,           | To journey to Wells Village to take Theodore Buzzell to<br>Town Farm,        | \$2 00        |
| April 1,                | To 1 day at Town House to receive lists of Polls and Estates to<br>be taxed, | 2 00          |
| April 3, 4, 5 and 7,    | To 4 days taking Inventory,  | 8 00          |
| Amount carried forward, |  | <hr/> \$12 00 |

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| Amount brought forward,  | \$12 00 |
| April 12, To 1 day on valuation and to receive proposals to build Beach Road,                | 2 00    |
| April 18, To 1-2 day to post notices and to lay out new road,                                | 1 00    |
| April 20, 21 and 22, To 3 days in making Highway Tax, and copy,                              | 6 00    |
| April 26, To 1-2 day on town business,   | 1 00    |
| June 9, To journey to Branch on examination of Deshon for Insane Asylum,                     | 1 00    |
| June 10, To 1 day at Town House, to apportion School money and to draw Summer School Orders, | 2 00    |
| July 3, To 1 day at Town House on valuation and to lay State, Town and County tax,           | 2 00    |
| July 26, 27, 28, 29, To 4 days making State, Town and County tax, and copy,                  | 8 00    |
| Aug. 29, To 1 day on business with others, and drawing warrant for Town Meeting,             | 2 00    |
| 1871, Sept. 21, To journey to Springvale, on Pauper case,                                    | 2 00    |
| Nov. 2, To journey to Tatnic, to notify land holders of new road.                            | 1 00    |
| " 6, To 1 day at Town House, to settle with land holders, and draw Winter School Orders,     | 2 00    |
| " 8, To 1-2 day at Town Farm, to arrange about Town Paupers,                                 | 1 00    |
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|  | \$43 00 |

JOSHUA C. HATCH,

*Auditor.*

WELLS, Feb. 24, 1872.

# REPORT

OF THE

## Superintending School Committee,

### OF THE TOWN OF WELLS,

FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1872.

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In accordance with Statute, we submit this report "of the condition of the schools for the past year, the proficiency made by the pupils, and the success attending the modes of instruction and government of the teachers."

The improvement made by the scholars in some of the schools has been good, and speaks well for the instruction and government of the teachers.

The government has been so bad in other schools as to render abortive all efforts at teaching. Very little good has been accomplished. Money has been poorly expended. The true cause of education but little advanced, and its friends sadly disappointed.

A lively interest pervades the town to improve the location and condition of its school rooms. Several new and commodious houses have recently been built; still there is urgent necessity for continuance of the good work, till every school room is fitted up in modern style. We would suggest the importance of proper ventilation of the same, and direct the attention of districts to this point.

One of the duties of the S. S. Committee is: "They shall direct the general course of instruction, and what books shall be used in the schools. And it shall be the duty of the Superintending School Committee to select a uniform system of text-books to be used in the schools of the town, due notice of which selection shall be given; and any text-book hereafter introduced into the schools of any town, shall not be changed for five years from the date of its introduction, unless by vote of the town."

Colton & Fitch's Geographies, Weld & Quackenbos' Grammar, Holbrook's, Colburn, and Greenleaf's Arithmetics, have been in our schools a dozen years or more. Several editions of some of the books were in the same school, producing confusion and obstructing classification. The progress of science, and improved methods of teaching, rendered a change of these books imperative. Most of the districts have promptly intro-



duced the books selected, and are receiving the benefit of the change. Other districts are strongly wedded to the things that were, and are slow in introducing them.

TEXT BOOKS.—Bible, Progressive series of Readers and Speller, introduced 1858.

GRAMMAR.—First Lessons and English Grammar, Quackenbos,<sup>1</sup> introduced 1869.

ARITHMETIC.—Walton's Series and Tables, introduced 1870.

GEOGRAPHY.—Elementary and Intermediate, Guyat's, introduced 1871.

WRITING BOOKS.—Payson, Dunton & Scribner, Nos. 1, 3, 5, 9, introduced 1869.

We would not recommend raising more money for school purposes, but would suggest the propriety and necessity of devising ways and means for spending what we do assess in the most judicious way, so as to return a higher per cent. of profit. Also, a more ready assent to, and active compliance with suggestions made by those whose duty it is to investigate the subject of education and direct in regard to it. Our State Superintendent thinks favorably of a change from district to town schools. A suggestion and recommendation from so distinguished an educator, from one who views the prospect from so elevated a stand point, and whose sympathies and labors are enlisted for the prosperity and welfare of the schools in Maine, should receive the candid and careful consideration of every citizen.

A few towns have made the change, and the result has been, "better School Houses, superior teaching, longer schools." But so long as the district system is in operation, it is the duty of all to render it as efficient as possible.

We number 1002 scholars. The average attendance is less than one half, and the per centage is decreasing; a striking example of the apathy and indifference of the community in regard to educational advantages. Tax payers have a right to demand the education of every scholar. The State provides for erecting school houses, sustaining schools, furnishing text-books, and inspection of schools.

The average attendance in the State is 50 per cent., and in many towns less. Any scholar may absent himself from school with the slightest excuse, or no excuse at all. Any parent or guardian, may deprive those under their care of all educational advantages, and thus inflict an irreparable injury upon the rising generation, and furnish citizens poorly prepared to assume the responsible positions soon to devolve upon them. And yet the State provides no remedy for this evil. Cannot a remedy be found?

A larger per centage of scholars should be in the school room, either by the moral force of the community, or by a law requiring compulsory attendance. Both may be necessary to secure the desired end.



Statute provides that the Superintending School Committee shall employ teachers, also provides that the town may delegate district Agents to perform this duty. To whom should this duty be intrusted? A candid discussion of this question will result, no doubt, in the best interests of the Schools. The Agents must engage a limited number of Teachers, and frequently those of whom they have no previous knowledge, and every candidate for a particular school.

The Committee are brought into intimate relation with the Teachers every year, and acquaint themselves with both their natural and acquired abilities. They also visit every school twice during its session, and thus become familiar with the condition and requirements of every school. The Committee could engage no teacher until after examination, and then have the whole number of applicants from which to select, and if a suitable candidate is present, can be assigned to the proper school.

What we most need is a more discriminating selection of teachers, in regard to ability, capability, efficiency and tact. True economy requires the best, at a fair compensation.

The quality of our teachers should be improved by encouraging the better class. The supply will be equal to the demand. If we are satisfied with an inferior class we shall find an abundant supply. If we demand a superior class, such only will apply for the situations. A good school is preferable to a poor one, even if it be obtained at the expense of its length.

A teacher should not only be well versed in science, but should have a good share of general knowledge, be apt to teach, affable and courteous, patient, but firm in discipline, well acquainted with human nature, and willing to devote his time and talents to the improvement of his school.

Many failures result from lack of proper classification, hasty and injudicious words or acts, unsteady discipline, or a government founded on force in preference to love.

As is the teacher, so is the school. The teacher sees his own image reflected, morally and intellectually, by his school.

The character and example of a teacher is frequently a more potent educator than his precepts. The progress of our schools will never be satisfactory until the better class of teachers is secured.

Much can be done by every inhabitant of a district to make the school either a failure or success, by sympathy with the teacher, and kindly efforts in every possible way to assist him; by attending to the constant and punctual attendance of the scholars; by frequent visits to the school, and never allowing a hasty or censorious remark in regard to the school to have utterance.

## DISTRICT NO. 3.

O. M. DAVIS, *Agent*.SUMMER TERM—HANNAH B. LOCKE, *Teacher*.

Whole number of scholars in district, 69. Length of school, 30 days. Number of scholars, 38. Average attendance, 31 1-2.

From the high praise bestowed on this teacher by the Committee of former years, we were lead to anticipate a "model school," but on trial, must say that we were very much disappointed. The teacher failed to secure either the love or respect of her scholars, and consequently her school was considered a failure. She closed it at the end of the sixth week. Her zeal in teaching is commendable, but we think her discretion in discipline doubtful. Patience and self government would render her services more profitable to scholars, and more acceptable to the community.

WINTER TERM—CHARLES H. PETTEE, *Teacher*.

Length, 59 days. Whole number attending, 45. Average, 39.

This was his first effort in teaching. Scholars were well disposed, and good proficiency made in arithmetic, also in reading and spelling. The manner of conducting the reading and spelling lessons was highly commendable. A little more experience in classification and discipline will render his labors more efficient. His success was sufficiently good to enable us to recommend him to favorable notice. The agent has furnished one of Perce's Magnetic Globes for the use of the school.

## DISTRICT No. 4.

JONA. BOURNE, *Agent*.SUMMER TERM—HATTIE J. HUSE, *Teacher*.

Number scholars in district, 45. Length of school, 40 days. Number attending school, 30. Average, 26.

Much attention was paid to reading, spelling, and good improvement was made in the same. Teaching in arithmetic thoroughly practical. Writing books neat and clean. Order good.

WINTER TERM—ANNIE M. DOUGLASS, *Teacher*.

Length, 60 days. Number scholars attending, 35. Average 25.

This was her first school. Her success both in discipline and teaching was sufficient to commend her to favorable notice.

## DISTRICT No. 5.

A. MAXWELL, *Agent*.SUMMER TERM—ANNIE E. RANKINS, *Teacher*.

Number scholars, 78. Length of school, 70 days. Number attending, 67. Average, 47.

One of our oldest teachers. Government and method of teaching good. Successful results were attained. Map drawing, declamation, reading, spelling, were some of the marked characteristics of this school.

WINTER TERM—JULIAN A. POLLARD, *Teacher*.

Length, 58 1-2 days. Number, 60. Average 45.

Mr. Pollard is a most excellent scholar. He had no previous experi-

ence in teaching; did not classify nor govern his school well; school noisy and disorderly, and apparently little improvement was made in study.

#### DISTRICT NO. 6.

N. LITTLEFIELD, *Agent*.

SUMMER AND WINTER TERM—MARY T. WILSON, *Teacher*.

Number scholars, 56. Length of school in Summer, 50 days. Number attending, 28. Average 20.

This teacher labored assiduously for the school, and her classes in reading, geography and arithmetic showed that her efforts had been successful. Teacher capable and efficient.

#### DISTRICT NO. 7.

HORACE LITTLEFIELD, *Agent*.

SUMMER TERM—ELLEN E. CUSHING, *Teacher*.

Number scholars, 67. Length of school, 46 days. Number scholars, in attendance, 27. Average, 20.

School improved in reading and spelling, Made a good beginning in mental arithmetic. School noisy.

WINTER TERM—WM. R. STONE, *Teacher*.

Length of school, 47 days. Number scholars, 35. Average, 30.

Visited this school near the commencement. It was then progressing favorably. It closed sooner than was expected, so did not have an opportunity to make the second visit. Cannot form an opinion of the discipline or degree of improvement of the School.

#### DISTRICT NO. 8.

NAHUM WELCH, *Agent*.

SUMMER TERM—MARY S. GOODWIN, *Teacher*.

Number scholars, 41. Length of school, 30 days. Number attending school, 18. Average, 14.

On my second visit the school was very small, most of the scholars being absent—said to be haying or berrying.

WINTER TERM—JOS. A. LITTLEFIELD, *Teacher*.

Length of school, 47 days. Number attending, 18. Average, 12.

This school was orderly and attentive to instruction, when visited at the commencement. Was not notified of the time of its close.

Mr. Littlefield's reputation as an able and profitable teacher is well known. He has taught several schools in this district with good success.

#### DISTRICT NO. 13,

Numbers 70 scholars. As there is no School House in this district, some of the scholars have attended school at District No. 5, and others in York.

#### DISTRICT NO. 9.—PINE HILL.

O. M. DAVIS, *Agent*.—FRANK LITTLEFIELD, *Teacher*.

Number of scholars in district, 46. Whole number attending school, Summer Term, 29; average, 24. Winter Term—whole number 36; average 25. Length of Summer School, 35 days.



Both terms of this school were under the charge of Miss Mary Littlefield. This school has improved very much during the past year. It has a class of interesting scholars. The order has become good and the improvement very satisfactory. The district securing Miss Littlefield as teacher is very sure of a first class school.

#### DISTRICT NO. 11. PERKINSTOWN.

— ALLEN, *Agent*.

SUMMER AND WINTER TERMS—OLIVE A. LITTLEFIELD, *Teacher*.

Number of scholars in district, 16. Whole number attending school, 14; average, 11.

This school finishing one week sooner than was notified by the agent, I failed to visit the second time. There were not scholars enough attending this school to draw forth the energy and activity which we like to see displayed in the school room. Judging from my first visit to the school, I should say the money was well expended.

#### DISTRICT NO. 12. BALD HILL.

O. G. JONES, *Agent*.

SUMMER TERM—ANNIE F. LITTLEFIELD, *Teacher*.

Number of scholars, 53. Number attending, 29; average 22. Length of school, 44 days.

This was Miss Littlefield's second school. The examination of this school was quite satisfactory. The scholars gave unmistakable evidence of a profitable school.

WINTER TERM—ALBERT C. MILDRAH, *Teacher*.

Number of scholars attending, 29; average, 21. Length of school, 48 days.

This school did better than usual, this session. The lessons were better committed, and the examination was more satisfactory. Progress was apparent. The teacher is deserving of commendation for his judicious management of this school.

#### DISTRICT NO. 14. ELM BROOK,

ALONZO F. LITTLEFIELD, *Agent*.

SUMMER TERM—H. A. F. RICHARDS, *Teacher*.

Number of scholars, 93. Length of school, 54 days. Whole number of scholars in attendance, 53; average, 36.

This was Miss Richard's first school in town, although she has had experience in teaching elsewhere. She brings the benefit of this experience with her. She shows an interest, and puts forth efforts which are sure harbingers of success anywhere. Although Miss R. labored under disadvantages, we can but call the school a success. Proficiency good.

WINTER TERM—HANNAH B. LOCKE, *Teacher*.

Length of school, 55 days. Number attending school, 59; average, 47.

This was a model school. We think the teacher understood her business. The school although large, was orderly, and the recitations good; scholars well disposed and the classes systematically arranged. The result was a school not surpassed by any other in my section. Classes in reading, grammar and geography, deserve especial attention. Miss L.'s method of teaching, is quality, not quantity. We are sorry Miss L. has left town for other fields of labor.

## DISTRICT NO. 15.

OREN LITTLEFIELD, *Agent*.SUMMER TERM—LIZZIE FORD, *Teacher*.

Number of scholars, 63. Length of school 50 days. Number of scholars attending, 26; average, 14. Miss F. has taught this school terms before, to good acceptance. It is not necessary to repeat words of commendation, although she continues to deserve them. She fully sustained her former reputation.

WINTER TERM—MARIA GOODWIN, *Teacher*.

Number of scholars, 23. Length of school, 59 days.

We found here a good teacher and a good school. The closing examination demonstrated success to both teacher and scholars, and confirmed our anticipations. No doubt it told a correct story.

## DISTRICT NO. 1.

GEORGE W. LITTLEFIELD, *Agent*.SUMMER TERM,—ELVIRA POPE, *Teacher*.

She failed to discipline the school properly. There were instances of fair improvement, but, on the whole, we do not consider the school highly profitable. Miss Pope's education would recommend her to positions as good as this.

JACOB H. LITTLEFIELD, *Agent for Winter Term*.A. K. TRIPP, Esq., *Teacher*.

Number of scholars, 38. Average, 33. Length of school, 48 days.

Mr. Tripp governs his school very quietly, and imparts knowledge in a clear manner. The progress of the pupils in their various studies was commendable.

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

J. WESLEY HUBBARD, *Agent*.SUMMER TERM,—SARAH C. GOODWIN, *Teacher*, H. A. HILL, *Assistant*.

Number of scholars, 111. Length of school, 60 days. Number of scholars in attendance, 76. Average, 60.

Here we commence school in a new and very commodious room, which has for a time a restraining influence on unruly boys. Miss Goodwin and her Assistant conducted the school in such a manner as to result in profit to the pupils and credit to teachers.

FALL TERM—SARAH C. GOODWIN, *Teacher*.

Length of school, 45 days. Number of scholars attending school, 56. Average number, 48.

Miss Goodwin could not give so much attention to the different recitations as was necessary, because of the amount of labor, and all to be performed by one. This, consequently, was not so profitable as the Summer term.

WINTER TERM—JAMES H. PETTEE, *Teacher*.

Length of school, 58 days. Number of scholars, 61. Average, 49.

This school was visited near its commencement and at its close. The attendance at the close was small, but the scholars were orderly. The school was highly profitable to scholars who could endure the discipline. Possibly Mr. P. might have been hasty at times in correcting pupils, still we consider him an excellent instructor.



## DISTRICT NO. 10.

JOSEPH GOODWIN, *Agent*.SUMMER TERM—OLIVE S. LITTLEFIELD, *Teacher*.

Number of scholars, 67. Length of school, 45 days. Whole number of scholars in attendance, 44. Average, 26.

The school appeared well when visited by the Committee. The recitations by the several classes were very fair. From some cause there seemed to be a lack of interest in this school.

## DISTRICT NO. 16.

WILLIAM H. GOODWIN, *Agent*.MARY C. MILDAM AND MARY A. GOWEN, *Summer Teachers*.

Number of scholars, 72. Length of school, 60 days.

Miss Mildram was a gentle but firm teacher. The school was moving on prosperously, when, suddenly, Miss Mildram was seized with illness, which eventually removed her from the field of earthly labor—from afflicted friends and sympathizing acquaintances, who will ever respect the memory of so noble a lady.

Miss Gowen finished the term. The proficiency made by the pupils in their studies was creditable to the teachers.

WINTER TERM—J. F. KEENE, *Teacher*.

Length of school, 45 days. No. of scholars, 41. Average, 33.

The school, under Mr. Keene's direction, was orderly. There was fair improvement in mathematics, and the classes in geography, English grammar, reading, spelling, and writing, made signal advancement. Mr. Keene's qualifications are such as render him an excellent teacher.

## DISTRICT NO. 17.

JONAS C. BRAGDON, *Agent*.—IDA WORMWOOD, *Teacher*, of Kennebunk.

Number of scholars 10. With ten scholars or less, Miss W. had an interesting and profitable school. This was her first effort in teaching.

Districts Nos. 3, 4, 5, 13, 6, 7 and 8, have been under the supervision of A. Libby.

Districts Nos. 9, 11, 12, 14 and 15, under supervision of A. F. Littlefield.

Districts Nos. 1, 2, 10, 16 and 17, under supervision of J. H. Mildram.

Our County Supervisor has been in town two or three times during the year. The town can judge of the efficiency of his labors, and of the fairness and truthfulness of his report of the educational condition of our schools.—We consider the County Supervisor as an important agent in the educational corps; and hope a discriminating care will be exercised in selecting a man of enlarged views and of expansive mind; one possessing much general information and well versed in human nature, to fill the position—in fine, “the right man in the right place.”

## DISTRICT NO. 10.

WINTER TERM—ANNIE E. RANKIN, *Teacher*.

Length of school, 80 days. Miss Rankin, in this, as in her previous schools, was energetic. Scholars made satisfactory improvement in mathematics, geography and penmanship; but the reading exercises did not receive that careful attention so important a branch of study should receive. Register not received.

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| ALVAN LIBBY,           | } Superintending |
| ALONZO F. LITTLEFIELD, |                  |
| JOSEPH H. MILDAM,      |                  |
|                        | } School         |
|                        | } Committee.     |



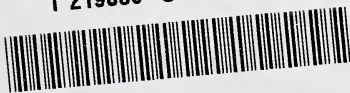








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